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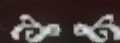
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For nearly a decade, King Alistair of Ferelden has ruled with a steady hand, seeing to his homeland's reconstruction after the darkspawn blight. Now—accompanied by the notorious pirate Isabela and the dwarven merchant Varric Tethras—he has journeyed north in search of his long-lost father, King Maric.

Confronting the witch Yavana about her involvement in Maric's fate, Alistair learned that Maric and Yavana had worked together to preserve the world's dying dragons. But Maric is now gone, and Prince Claudio Valisti's attempt to strike at Yavana through Alistair rendered matters more complicated. Now Claudio is dead, and Yavana has returned with a promise to reveal what the assassin prince was hiding . . .



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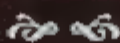
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UGH.

FROM NOW ON, NO MORE GAMES OF CHASE THE DWARF.

YOU'RE NOT JUST A DISTRACTION, VARRIC.



YOU'RE USEFUL FOR MORE THAN LURING AWAY GUARDS...

CHAPTER 6



-- WHILE EVERYTHING MEMORABLE HAPPENS SOMEPLACE ELSE?

GLAD TO SEE YOU'RE ALL RIGHT.

YOU ALMOST MISSED THE FUN.

EVIDENTLY, WE'RE GOING TO ASK CLAUDIO HOW IT FEELS TO BE STABBED IN THE CHEST.





WHO'S
AURELIAN
TITUS?

FOR
NOW?

A NAME --
BUT IT IS A
NAME I HAVE
SOUGHT FOR A
VERY LONG
TIME.



AND WE
HELPED YOU
FIND IT.



WHAT
DO YOU
THINK?

HAS SHE BEEN
TESTING YOU, OR
JUST SCREWING
WITH US?

YOU
DREW OUT HIS
SERVANTS, AS I
THOUGHT YOU
MIGHT.

COME -- YOU
HAVE EARNED
ANOTHER
CHANCE.



OR A
LITTLE OF
BOTH.

THAT LAST
ONE -- I NEVER
PASS TESTS.

IT'S ALMOST DAWN
WHEN WE RETURN
TO THE GROVE.

YOUR
FUTURE LIES
BELOW.

YOUR
FRIENDS
CANNOT
FOLLOW.

ANY IDEA
WHAT'S DOWN
THERE?

BESIDES
"YOUR
FUTURE"?

NO.

YOU'VE
COME THIS
FAR FOR
ANSWERS,
O KING.

PLANNING
TO STOP
NOW?

WHAT IF
I DON'T
LIKE WHAT
I FIND?





IT IS PERMITTED

TONIGHT, AND ONLY TONIGHT.



WHERE ARE WE?

THE HALL OF SLEEPERS.

WHEN DRAGONS WERE NEARLY EXTINGUISHED FROM THIS WORLD, THE BUILDERS OF THE TEMPLE CALLED TO THE FEW THAT REMAINED.

THE DRAGONS THAT CAME WOULD REST HERE FOR GENERATIONS—

—UNTIL AWAKENED BY POWER.



I REVIVED A FEW—VERY FEW—THAT HAD NOT DIED IN THEIR SLEEP.

THEY WERE THE FIRST DRAGONS TO ROAM OUR LAND IN MANY AGES.

BUT THE GREAT ONES WERE ALWAYS BEYOND MY REACH.



MAGIC CHANGED THAT.



THE BLOOD OF CALENNAD THE GREAT, FIRST KING OF FEZELDEN, FLOWED IN HIS VEINS.

IT CALLED TO MY QUEEN OF DRAGONS AND WOKE HER.

HOW?

BLOOD IS POWER—IT CONNECTS US.

THAT IS WHY AURELIAN TITUS TOOK YOUR FATHER FROM ME.

A FOOL WITH POWER DESIRES ONLY MORE POWER.



YOUR HEART
BEATS WITH THE
OLD BLOOD, AS
WELL.

WHERE DO
YOU THINK
IT COMES
FROM?

IT SINGS
OF A TIME WHEN
DRAGONS RULED
THE SKIES.

A TIME
BEFORE THE
VEIL, BEFORE THE
MYSTERIES WERE
FORGOTTEN.

CAN YOU
HEAR IT?



YOU
SEE YOUR
BLOOD AS A
CURSE, YOUR
CROWN AS A
BURDEN.

USE THEM NOW
TO CLAIM YOUR
FREEDOM.

WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING?

AWAKEN
THE LAST OF THE
GREAT ONES, AS
YOUR FATHER WAS
MEANT TO.

ABSOLVE
HIM OF HIS
OATH, AND WE
WILL SEARCH FOR
AURELIAN TITUS
TOGETHER.



WE
WILL FIND
YOUR FATHER,
AND HE CAN
RELIEVE YOU
OF YOUR
CROWN.

YOUR
LIFE WILL
BE YOURS
AGAIN.



WHY IS IT
ALWAYS A
RITUAL?





YOU
TOOK MARIC
FROM ME.

FROM MY
BROTHER.

YOU TOOK
HIM FROM
FERELDEN.

EVERYTHING
THAT HAPPENED
TO MY COUNTRY
IS BECAUSE OF
YOU.



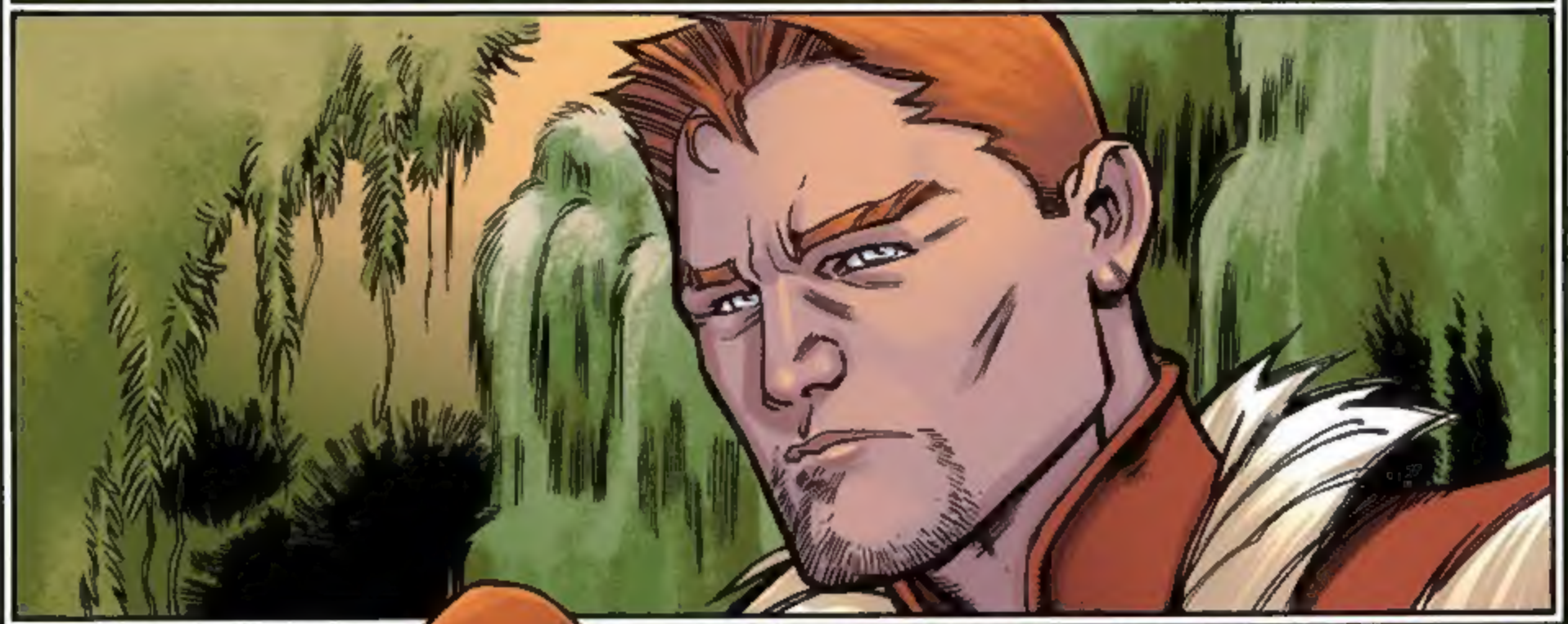
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GOING
TO EAT
ME?

I
DIDN'T
THINK
SO.







WHEN
THAT'S DONE,
I'M GOING TO
FIND MARIC.

AND THEN
I'M GOING
HOME...TO
BE KING.



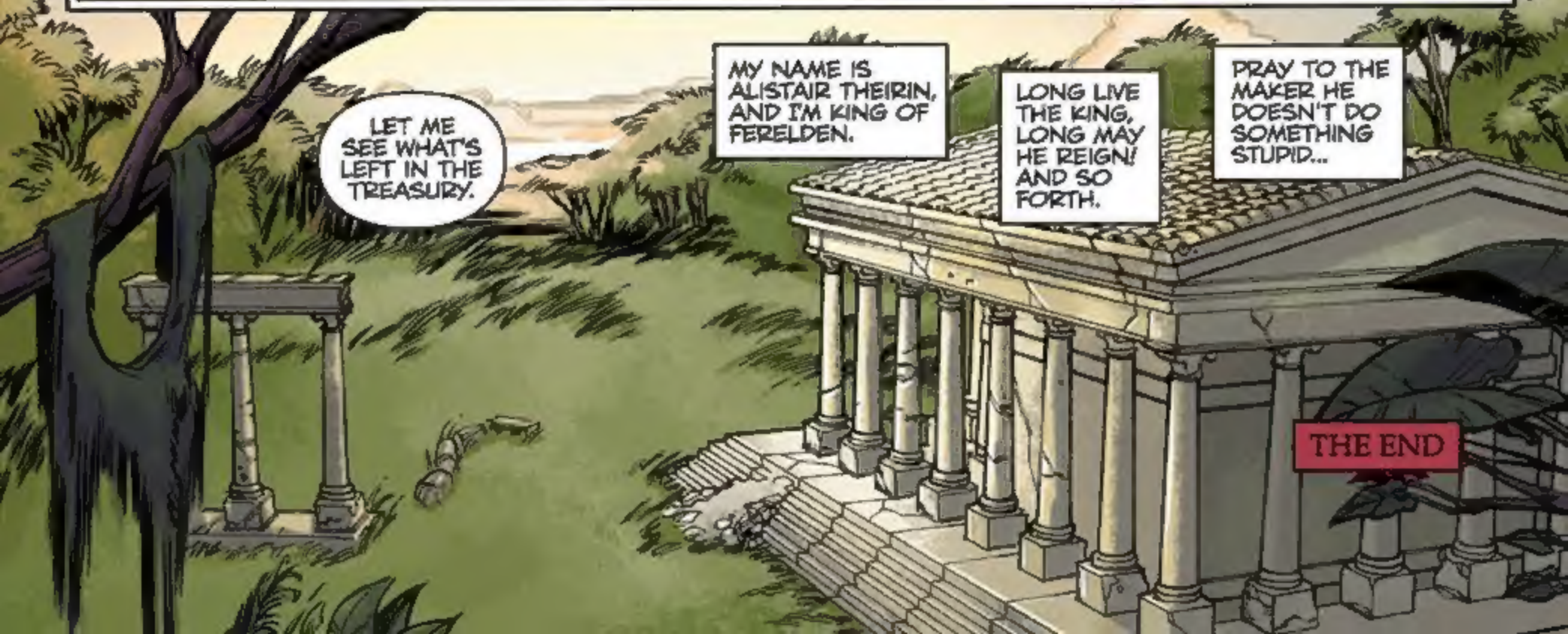
IT'S ABOUT
TIME YOU
SAID THAT.



I SHOULD
ASK FOR A
SECOND
SHIP.

OR A
TITLE.

YOU
DO INTEND TO
PAY US TO STICK
AROUND...?



LET ME
SEE WHAT'S
LEFT IN THE
TREASURY.

MY NAME IS
ALISTAIR THEIRIN,
AND I'M KING OF
FERELDEN.

LONG LIVE
THE KING,
LONG MAY
HE REIGN!
AND SO
FORTH.

PRAY TO THE
MAKER HE
DOESN'T DO
SOMETHING
STUPID...

THE END

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